Treaty Rights at Risk (TRAR) Briefing Document

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This document summarizes the current status of the six selected issues put forth by Western Washington tribes under the Treaty Rights at Risk (TRAR) initiative. Compiled from staff summaries as indicated below. Revised 9/7/16 with NRCS input.

TRAR Initiative: In August 2014 Deputies across federal agencies agreed to a treaty rights elevation/resolution process at the DC level upon request of the Western Washington Tribes. Six issues were identified by the Western Washington Tribes and a subset of federal agencies have been working together to understand and work towards resolution on those issues or defining a process for resolution by the end of this administration. An additional TRAR issue has also been raised for the WA Water Quality Standards. The Western Washington Tribes have also been advocating for codifying the TRAR Initiative through the White House Council on Native American Affairs. The draft Federal MOU for Puget Sound also includes a section on Treaty Rights and references the TRAR Initiative process.

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1. HAT or High Tide Line

The Final joint recommendation report, developed jointly by EPA, Corps, and NOAA, Ex. 5 - Deliberative Process

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